



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERTO JAYME MEDINA, and

JOSE MARTINEZ-GONZALEZ,

Defendant.

Criminal Case No. 08cr2125-WQH

ORDER TO SET VIDEOTAPED
DEPOSITION OF MATERIAL
WITNESSES

ORDER

Upon request of material witnesses CONRADO ARTEAGA-RODRIQUEZ and JORGE ESTRADA-CEJA, (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Material Witnesses" or "The Witnesses"), and their counsel, Tamara D. DeHaan, and good cause appearing:

1. The Material Witnesses, CONRADO ARTEAGA-RODRIQUEZ, JORGE ESTRADA-CEJA, and PAULO ESTRADA-CEJA, being held in custody in the above-referenced case number shall be deposed on August 14, 2008, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The deposition shall be held at the Office of the United States Attorney, located at 880 Front Street, Fifth Floor, San Diego, California. An employee of the U.S. Attorney's Office shall serve as the videotape operator.

2. All parties, including the United States and the defendant/s, shall attend the deposition. The arresting agency shall bring the Material Witnesses to the deposition. If the above-named defendant/s are in custody, they shall be brought separately to the deposition and a United States Marshal shall remain present during the entire proceeding.

1 3. The U.S. Attorney's Office shall arrange for a court-certified interpreter to be present to
2 translate for the Material Witnesses. The cost of the interpreter for the Material Witnesses shall be borne
3 by the United States pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1827(c)(2).

4 4. If any defendant requires an interpreter independent of the interpreter for the Material
5 Witnesses, defense counsel shall arrange for a court-certified interpreter to be present. The cost of a
6 separate interpreter shall be paid by the Court.

7 5. The U.S. Attorney's Office shall arrange for a certified court reporter to be present at the
8 deposition. The court reporter shall stenographically record the testimony, serve as a notary, and shall
9 preside at the deposition in accordance with Fed. Rules Civ.Proc., rule 28(a). The cost of the court
10 reporter shall be borne by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

11 6. The deposition shall be videotape recorded utilizing a magnetic tape that records sound as
12 well as visual images. At the conclusion of the deposition, the deponents, or any party, may elect to
13 have the deponents review the videotape record of his deposition and to note any errors, omissions or
14 changes. Any errors, omissions or changes, and the reasons for making them, shall be stated in writing
15 and such writing shall be signed by the deponent, delivered to the notary in a sealed envelope and filed
16 in the same fashion as described in Paragraph 17 below, unless the parties agree on the record to a
17 different procedure.

18 7. The videotape operator shall select and supply all equipment required to videotape and
19 audio-tape the deposition, and shall determine all matters of staging and technique, such as number and
20 placement of cameras and microphones, lighting, camera angle, and background. S/He shall determine
21 these matters in a manner that accurately reproduces the appearance of the Material Witnesses and
22 assures clear reproduction of both the Material Witnesses' testimony as well as the statements of
23 counsel. The Material Witnesses, or any party to the action, may place upon the record any objection to
24 the videotape operator's handling of any of these matters. Such objection shall be considered by the
25 Court in ruling on the admissibility of the video and/or audio-taped record. All such objections shall be
26 deemed waived unless made promptly after the objector knows, or has reasonable grounds to know, of
27 the basis of such objection.
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1 8. The deposition shall be recorded in a fair, impartial, objective manner. The videotape
2 equipment shall be focused on the Material Witness providing testimony; however, the videotape
3 operator may, from time to time, focus upon charts, photographs, exhibits, or like material being shown
4 to the Material Witness during the deposition.

5 9. Before examination of a Material Witness, the Assistant U.S. Attorney shall state on the
6 video/audio record: (a) Her/His name; (b) The date, time, and place of the deposition; (c) The name of
7 the Material Witness, and the caption of the action; and (d) The identity of the parties, and the names of
8 all persons present in the room. The court reporter shall then swear the Material Witness on the video
9 record. Further, at the beginning of examination by each counsel, and on the record, each counsel shall
10 identify himself/herself and his/her respective client. If more than one videotape is used, the Assistant
11 U.S. Attorney shall repeat items (a), (b) and (c) at the beginning of each new tape.

12 10. The videotape operator shall not stop the video recorder after the deposition commences
13 until it concludes, except, however, that any party may request a cessation for a brief recess, which
14 request shall be honored unless another party objects and states the basis for said objection on the
15 record. Each time the tape is started or stopped, the videotape operator shall announce the time on the
16 record. If the deposition requires the use of more than one tape, the end of each tape and the beginning
17 of the next shall be announced orally on the video record by the video tape operator.

18 11. All objections, both as to form and substance, shall be recorded as if the objection had
19 been overruled, and the Court shall rule on the objections prior to admitting that portion of the
20 deposition. The party raising the objection(s) shall be responsible for preparing a transcript for the Court
21 to consider. All objections to the evidence presented shall be deemed waived unless made during the
22 deposition.

23 12. The party offering the deposition in evidence at trial shall provide the court with a
24 transcript of the portions so offered.

25 13. Copies of all exhibits utilized during the videotaped deposition shall be marked for
26 identification during the deposition, and attached to the videotaped record.

27 14. At the conclusion of the deposition, the U.S. Attorney's Office and defendant shall advise
28 the Material Witnesses' attorneys if any party objects to the release of the Material Witnesses. If the

1 parties do not object to the Material Witnesses' release, the attorney for the Material Witnesses shall
2 immediately serve all parties with a Stipulation and Proposed Order for Release of the Material
3 Witnesses, and submit the Order to the Clerk of the Court for the Judge's signature. Prior to release from
4 custody, the U.S. Attorney's Office shall serve the Material Witnesses with a subpoena for the trial date,
5 a travel advance fund letter for purposes of appearing to testify at trial.

6 15. Upon written request by any party, the videotape operator shall provide a copy of the
7 videotape deposition to the requesting party at the requesting party's expense. After preparing the
8 requested copies, if any, the videotape operator shall turn over the original videotape to the notary, along
9 with a certificate signed by the videotape operator attesting that the videotape is an accurate and
10 complete record of the deposition.

11 16. Upon request by any party, the court reporter shall file with the Court the original
12 videotape, along with any exhibits offered during the deposition, all in a sealed envelope marked with
13 the caption of the case, the name of the Material Witness, and the date of the deposition. To that
14 envelope, the court reporter shall attach the certificate of the operator. If all counsel stipulate on the
15 record, the U.S. Attorney's Office may maintain the original videotape until production is ordered by the
16 Court or requested by any party.

17 17. Unless waived by the parties, the court reporter shall give prompt notice to all parties of
18 the filing of the videotape record of the deposition with the Court pursuant to Fed. Rules Civ.Proc., rule
19 30 (f)(3).

20 18. If any party objects on the record to the release of a Material Witnesses from custody, the
21 objecting party must request in writing a hearing on the issue before the district judge who is assigned
22 the case, or to such other district judge or magistrate judge as may be designated. Notice of the Request
23 for Hearing must be served on all parties and filed with the Clerk of the Court within twenty-four (24)
24 hours after the deposition is concluded. A courtesy copy of the Notice shall be provided to chambers.
25 The Court shall set a briefing schedule, if appropriate, and a date and time for the objection to be heard
26 as soon as reasonably practicable. At the hearing, the objecting party must establish to the Court's
27 satisfaction an appropriate legal basis for the Material Witnesses to remain in custody. If, after the
28 hearing, the Court orders the release of the Material Witnesses, the Material Witnesses' attorney shall

1 immediately present the release order to the Court for signature and filing. Before the Material
2 Witnesses are released, the U.S. Attorney's Office must again serve the Material Witnesses with a
3 subpoena for the trial date and a travel advance fund letter.
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5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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7 DATED: August 7, 2008



The Hon. Ruben B. Brooks
United States Magistrate Judge